

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants	:	Takehiko SHIGEFUJI et al.	Group Art Unit: 3724
Appl. No	:	09/680,293	Examiner: J.D. Prone
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For	:	PUNCHING TOOL PROVIDED WITH TOOL IDENTIFICATION MEDIUM AND PUNCH PRESS PROVIDED WITH A TOOL IDENTIFICATION MEDIUM READER	

**INTERVIEW SUMMARY AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Amendment  
Randolph Building  
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Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 13, 2007, in which a three month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on March 13, 2008, , the period for response having been extended by the concurrent submission of a Request for one-month Extension of Time to expire on April 14, 2008 (April 13, 2008 falling on a Sunday), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection, and an indication of the allowability of all the claims pending in the present application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.